



# Arts BRAG

WINTER 2008

## Cultural Arts Office Programs

### Summer Arts Camp 2008

#### Creative Arts Camp, Session One

Creative campers will explore a variety of visual and performing arts activities including drawing, painting, music, drama, dance and more.

#### Session One:

July 7 through 18, 2008 for Ages 7-9

9am to 12noon

Location: Valley Middle School

Fee: varies

#### Creative Arts Camp, Session Two

This summer we are pleased to present our Creative Arts Camp to artists age nine to eleven, with a time schedule that fits into your busy schedules. This camp combines visual arts and theatre. Campers will work with a visual artist to experiment in a wide range of media of all shapes and sizes. Each day a theatre instructor will lead campers through a series of performance activities and exercises. All activities designed to promote personal expression and self-confidence.

#### Session Two:

July 21 through August 1, 2008

for Ages 9-11

9am to 3pm

Location: Carlsbad City Library complex,  
1775 Dove Lane, Carlsbad, 92011

Fee: \$240

### Club Pelican

Work fast—this popular camp fills quickly. Young campers will explore new habitats, insects, birds, and more at the Batiquitos Lagoon and then re-envision what they discover through creative art projects.

9am to 12noon

Location: Batiquitos Lagoon, located off of Gabbiano Lane, in Carlsbad

Fee: \$65 per camp session

#### Session 1:

June 23 through 27, 2008

for Ages 9-11

#### Sessions 2 and 3:

July 21 through 25 and July 28 through August 1, 2008 for Ages 7-9

#### Important Registration Information

Camp brochures are available on our city's website, at both library locations, and at other city locations. You may also visit [www.carlsbadca.gov/arts](http://www.carlsbadca.gov/arts) or call the Arts Info Line at (760) 434-2904.

### William D. Cannon Art Gallery

Exhibitions and Three-Part-Art programs

#### On Flowers

March 30 – May 25, 2008

In the 17th century, Dutch and Flemish painters seemed to have perfected the art of the floral still life, making delicate images of flowers that literally shimmered on the canvas. And yet, the image of the flower still captivates artists today. This exhibition presents work by eight artists – Timothy Berry, Cynthia Evans, Manny Farber, James Lorigan, Tanja Rector, Muriel Roston, Sandra Sallin, and Olga Seem—who continue to be fascinated with this age-old motif.

#### Family Open Studios

Family Open Studio is a hands-on artmaking event designed for all ages! It's great fun, it's educational—and it's FREE! First tour the exhibition on display at the Cannon Art Gallery, then work with an artist/educator and volunteers on a specifically-designed art project related to the exhibition. Finally, take the completed work of art home to enjoy.

Saturday, May 3, 2008

11am to 2pm

Family Open Studios takes place in the courtyard of the Carlsbad City Library complex.



# What's going on...

### CARLSBAD UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

#### Aviara Oaks Middle School Band

Currently the Advanced Band is preparing for the upcoming Festival Season. AOMS band will be attending festivals over the next few months. We will be hosting our annual Hollywood Nights Concert in April when the band will be featuring its "star quality" selections.

#### Orchestra

After performing a wonderful winter concert, the AOMS orchestra is busy preparing for the Music in The Parks Festival, which includes a day at Disneyland.

#### Visual Art

Ms. Decosmo's 6th grade art class is learning about the elements of art, beginning with line. Soon they will be learning about color and will paint their favorite cartoon character using a monochromatic color scheme. The semester art class students are learning about perspective and just displayed their papier-mâché guitars at the Battle of the Bands held in Carlsbad! The year long art classes are finishing up their Rokkaku kites. Students painted and embellished traditional Japanese landscapes.

#### Drama

Students in the 8th grade Drama II Class are rehearsing their production of

"Disney's Aladdin Junior," which will be performed in the Carlsbad Cultural Arts Center on February 28, 29 and March 1. 7th grade Drama students performed their contemporary scenes for friends and family in January and are working on a monologue unit. The Drama Booster Club will hold its 4th Annual Cabaret Night on May 16. For more info call (760) 331-6105.

#### Dance

The dance students presented their annual dance show for the students of AOMS on December 21. Look for the dancers on this year's Kids are Worth a Million Telethon in the Spring.

#### Buena Vista Music

We are so excited about our new spring music program, thanks to BV's new music teacher, Christine Mason. Classes began in January bringing music instruction to grades K-5. A production is under-way for spring performances of "High School Musical" and "Charlotte's Web." Talented singers, musicians, dancers and actors showed up for a week of auditions. The music program has also coordinated with the visual arts program to teach students to produce the set design, costume and props.

#### Visual Arts

Inside our artist's studio we are setting sail this spring on an artist's tour of Traditional Folk Arts from Around the World. Students are filling their art passports with stamps from the Far East, Africa, Mexico & South America, Europe and the Islands. This art series, taught by our Artist in Residence, Sandy Haasis, teaches students in grades 1-5 the historical and cultural context of various traditional and folk arts around the world. This class will also cover cultural diversity and share similarities and differences between students' personal cultural backgrounds and those of others.

A public exhibition of the artworks will be held in the spring. It will include a student docent program where students will host the event and share with the public background information learned in each classroom project.

This program is supported in part by a grant from the Cultural Arts Office/City of Carlsbad. Additional support for this program has been contributed by the Newcomers of Carlsbad and Carlsbad Arts Patron, Bobbie Hoder.

#### Calavera Hills Middle School Band

CHMS students Kyle Runzel and Kaili Masamoto were selected as members of the Southern California Band Association Honors Ensembles and performed at Citrus College on January 20. Both students are also members of All State Ensembles and will perform at the State Music Convention in Fresno on February 23. They were selected from over 1500 applicants from across the state. Congratulations!

#### Drama

Advanced Drama Students are studying Shakespeare and will perform scenes from *Romeo and Juliet*, *As You Like It*, *Mac Beth* and others in a Showcase at the Carlsbad Cultural Arts Center on April 18, 7pm. 6th Grade Drama students performed Folktales at a school assembly in January.



Buena Vista Elementary students working on their weaving projects using natural materials.



Calavera Hills Middle School drama students on-stage preparing for their next production.

### Hope Elementary School

Hope School enjoyed many wonderful holiday programs in December. The kindergarteners had a winter singing program & the 1st grade had Sleigh Bell Singers. Leslie Vollmer's 2nd grade class shared holiday customs in other lands, complete with songs and nutcracker dancers. The 5th graders had a holiday trilogy with a chorus and a tap dancing reindeer!

### Music

Grades K - 5 are learning to play free-style in a drum circle as well as sing songs from South Africa, Ghana and Zaire. 4th graders auditioned for the Joyful Bells handbell ensemble which begins this spring. The Hope Handbell Ensemble and the Hope Alumni Ringers (6th graders) will participate in a handbell festival at Concordia University in Irvine in March. 4th graders continue to develop their recorder skills and the 5th grade instrumental students will perform their first concert on March 5.

### Art

1st graders experienced scratch art while the second grade made art in the style of Jackson Pollack with collage & drip painting. The 3rd graders made macrame bracelets while the 4th grade did radial name designs and 5th graders made decoupage boxes.



Hope Elementary's second graders in their holiday production.

### Jefferson Elementary School

Jefferson's 5th grade music curriculum has included instruction in guitar for the past 5 years. This was made possible by a grant from Taylor Guitars. Our performance group held their first concert on February 7. They are currently working toward performing for the Kids are Worth a Million telethon and will be accompanied by the chorus group.

Many 2nd graders are participating in a drum circle class after school. This popular class has 40 students enrolled! Our Carlsbad schools are fortunate to be able to use Tubano drums, purchased by National Association of Music Merchants (NAMM). (See image on Page 4.)

### Kelly Elementary School

Kelly School fully supports the whole child concept that includes providing art experiences for every child. Kelly PTA is funding art, music, and dance programs. Kelly's school-wide visual art program is taught by Andrea Team. On-going activities include banner projects inspired by the Encinitas street art banners and ceramic creatures that tie thematically into the academic curriculum.

Our school-wide music program is taught by Marty Shwartz, who is incorporating our newly adopted state music program.

Our exciting dance program, also funded by our PTA, is taught to our enthusiastic 1st and 2nd graders by Pam Laird.

In January, our 4th graders participated in a wonderful California History and Art Program, including a field trip to Leo Carrillo Ranch and an oil pastel workshop funded by donations to the Friends of Carrillo Ranch.

Kelly School will also be using an arts block grant to provide professional development for teachers to learn how to incorporate the Monart technique for drawing in the classroom. (See image on Page 4.)

Kelly School is also developing the Kelly Cougar Chorus, led by Mrs. Armstrong, Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Nichols for any interested 3rd - 5th graders.

### PRIVATE

#### St Patrick School

The 2007 Christmas Pageant at St. Patrick Parish School was a two-night celebration of upbeat, stylized music and movement celebrating the birth of King Jesus! The St. Patrick Girls' Glee Club, along with a live 7-piece band, led the students through a gospel-themed evening of beautiful Christmas music.

Our next themed program is coming up in April and will celebrate Grandparents' Day 2008. St. Pat's students will "Get On Board" as they take grandparents through a musical journey entitled "All Aboard" ... a celebration of trains.

UCSD Fine Arts student Patrick Tobias came to 1st grade at St. Patrick's School to teach the students about working with clay. He explained the sources of clay from around the world and gave examples of his work and the clay uses of cultures throughout history.



Kindergarteners perform at the annual St. Patrick Parish School Christmas Pageant.



## News & Notes

### STATEWIDE

In response to concerns heard from many school districts throughout the state, the Department of Education reports that arts education funds apportioned to districts for 2007-2008 are secure. Thus far there has been no discussion of taking any portion of that fund. The letters were mailed on January 8th to superintendents regarding the first payment of 50%, with the second payment anticipated pay out in July 2008. For more information, contact Nancy Carr, Visual and Performing Arts Consultant, California Department of Education at [ncarr@cde.ca.gov](mailto:ncarr@cde.ca.gov) or (916) 445-5669.

### ACROSS THE NATION

#### President's Budget Cut Arts Education

President Bush sent his FY/2009 budget request to Congress, beginning the yearly appropriations process for, among many things, the nation's cultural agencies and programs, including the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA), National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), Office of Museum Services (OMS), Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB), and the Department of Education's Arts in Education programs.

For the eighth consecutive year, the President's budget has eliminated funding for the Department of Education's Arts in Education programs, which include funding for model arts programs and collaborations with schools, teacher professional development, and arts programs for at-risk youth.

Further, on the heels of signing the largest Congressionally-initiated funding increase for the arts in 28 years, President Bush has proposed a \$16.3 million cut for FY/2009 for the NEA—from \$144.7 million to \$128.4 million.

Americans for the Arts calls on arts advocates to write their Members of Congress, urging them to increase funding for arts and culture and restore funding for arts in education programs. Go to [www.americansforthearts.org](http://www.americansforthearts.org), to find out more information.

(Source: Information adapted from the California Alliance for Arts Education's website: [www.artsed411.org](http://www.artsed411.org))

#### Bringing It Home to Carlsbad

The Carlsbad Unified School District continues meetings of a committee of Delegates. Highlights this year include: the beginning stages of VAPA adoption for K-8 and working on a 5-year visual and performing arts strategic plan. The plan was created by 30 representatives from: Classroom, Community, Professional organizations, Higher education, and Parent groups.

Regionally, the County Office of Education's Visual and Performing Arts Division has launched its new San Diego Arts Network website. The San Diego Arts Network is a partnership of more than 30 districts whose purpose is to improve the quality of the arts through implementation of the California Visual

and Performing Arts Framework and Standards. Learn more by visiting their website at [www.sdartsnetwork.com](http://www.sdartsnetwork.com).

**Our Arts-in-Education Committee** continues to be your advocate for keeping and improving arts in our Carlsbad schools. We meet on a quarterly basis, sharing information on advocacy, grant and program opportunities. Our community committee will continue to gather information and seek to assist in any way with these advocacy efforts. Please feel free to join us at our next meeting, which will take place on April 16 in the Gowland Meeting Room at the Carlsbad City Library, 1775 Dove Lane.

**For more information regarding education programs or our committee meetings**

Call (760) 434-2901 or email [trodz@ci.carlsbad.ca.us](mailto:trodz@ci.carlsbad.ca.us)

**For additional information about gallery exhibition and programs**

Call (760) 602-2021

**For more information about other programs and events offered by the Cultural Arts Office / City of Carlsbad**

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Left Fifth graders from Jefferson Elementary

working on their guitar techniques.

Right One proud artist, from Kelly Elementary, showing off his oil pastel drawing of historic Leo Carrillo Ranch.

